

with an owner of a property, which is exclusively listed with another broker, the terms upon which the owner would accept a future listing, that is kind of saying the guy who has got the listing now, he gets first crack at you after he hasn't sold your house for six months. You can't talk to that guy until after you have failed for six months to sell it. I kind of think that's taking advantage of the poor consumer that was dumb enough to list it with a realtor who couldn't sell it in six months, but I am sure my good friend Senator Barrett is going to have a good explanation for this. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Vickers. Senator Vickers, do you want to speak on the bill?

SENATOR VICKERS: Mr. President, I wonder if Senator Barrett would respond to a question please.

PRESIDENT: Senator Barrett.

SENATOR BARRETT: Surely.

SENATOR VICKERS: Senator Barrett, as I read through the bill, there is one place at the top of page 7, and you might have already discussed this or might have already answered this question. If you have, I apologize. I have been busy and I haven't been listening as close as I should have been. But the language at the top of that page says that this is a reason to give to the Department, as I understand it, to revoke a license, and it says that if you discuss or solicit a discussion with an owner of property, and so forth, and further down it says unless the owner initiates the discussion, the question I have is just...because when I first read that, that "discussing or soliciting a discussion" seemed to be somewhat unclear to me, could you explain a little bit more clearly, perhaps, what the intent of that section is about for the record please.

SENATOR BARRETT: Yes, Senator Vickers, I tried to explain, at least I thought I did, and...

SENATOR VICKERS: I am sorry.

SENATOR BARRETT: ...I suppose this is for the benefit of Senator Higgins as well in terms of her last comments. The reason for this is to eliminate a Federal Trade Commission